

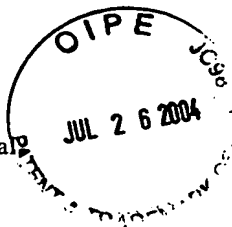
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IN RE APPLICATION OF: Mitsuhiro NAKAMURA, et al

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FOR: METHOD OF PRETREATMENT OF SAMPLE FOR QUANTITATING CHOLESTEROL AND METHOD FOR QUANTITATING CHOLESTEROL IN SPECIFIC LIPOPROTEINS BY USING THE SAME



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Responsive to the Final Office Action dated December 24, 2003, Applicants respectfully request reconsideration of the above-identified application in view of the following amendment and remarks.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Discussion of the Amendment** begins on page 5 of this paper.

**Remarks** begin on page 6 of this paper.